

Dear Neighbor,

I have good news to share with residents in New Haven.

Recently, the State Bond Commission approved the release of funding for several very important projects in New Haven.

As your state Senator, I take pride in helping to secure funding for the projects that help make New Haven a better place to live. I believe that the state must be an active partner in helping communities to grow.

I have included some additional details about these projects. If you have comments or questions, please call me at my office.

Sincerely,

State Senator



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State Senator Toni N. Harp State Funds for New Haven Projects

Connecticut's Voluntary Infantry Regiment

I am very pleased to report the approval of crucial state funding for a monument to honor the officers and enlisted men of the 29th Regiment Connecticut (Colored) Volunteer Infantry—Connecticut's only black regiment in the Civil War.

The regiment was involved in nearly 50 crucial battles during the Civil War from 1863 through 1864 and played a pivotal role in reuniting the nation. The earliest recruit for the regiment was enlisted August 11, 1863, but most of the men



came to the regiment at its rendezvous in Fair Haven during the last three months of the year.

The new monument pays overdue homage to the selfless and heroic wartime contributions of the all-black 29th Regiment of the Connecticut Volunteer Infantry.



Courthouse Renovation

More than \$1.1 million has been approved for renovations to the Criminal/Juvenile Courthouse on New Haven's historic green. Nearly \$900,000 will go to much-needed exterior repairs including fixing the once-beautiful columns, statues and staircase as well as the facade and roof. The remaining \$300,000 will be used for interior improvements including carpets, paint and a new heating and cooling unit that make the courthouse more comfortable for courthouse staff and the public.

Improved Schools for New Haven's Students

The State Bond Commission also approved \$1.1 million for the Neighborhood Music School of New Haven for major structural improvements including much-needed safety and structural



improvements including mechanical and electrical upgrades, code improvements, handicapped accessibility and program expansion. The Neighborhood Music School was established in 1911 as part of the settlement house movement to assist New Haven's new and growing immigrant population. It became an independent, nonprofit corporation in 1950.